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Serial No.: 09/901,310  
Filing Date: 07/09/2001  
Title: IMPLANT WITH COMPOSITE COATING  
Group Art Unit: 3738  
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Please amend the application as follows:

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